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TAGS: ABLD ACOA

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR FIRE INSPECTION TEAM ASSISTANCE

CLASSIFIED BY: Bryan D. Hunt, Principal Officer.

REASON: 1.4 (c), (g)

¶1. (S) Post requests OBO/OM/FIR send a team of cleared Americans to inspect and repair Post's malfunctioning System 3 Fire Alarm.

¶2. (S) Over the past two months Post has experienced a series of problems of increasing severity with the System 3 Fire Alarm, the panel for which is located in the CAA.

-The audible trouble alarm is not sounding when the sensor in the corresponding area overheats. Tenant agencies in the CAA have been receiving notification from their home offices (rather than via the alarm) when the areas are overheating putting their equipment at serious risk.

-In July one of the line-end capacitors in RAO's office space needed to be replaced when the alarms activated and could not be turned off.

-A second tenant's trouble alarm appears to go off for no reason at least once a month.

-During Post's last Fire Inspection (2007) there were two deficiencies noted in the CAA area, including a ventilation problem in the electrical closet that still needs to be rectified by a cleared American.

¶3. (S) Post does not have any cleared Facilities Maintenance (FM) staff and is supported by Embassy Islamabad for FM, however there is currently a gap in coverage. Post requests a cleared OBO/OM/FIR team to travel to post to inspect and repair the fire alarm panel at the earliest possible date. The team must/must have Top Secret/SCI access to work in the necessary areas and the tenant agencies have agreed to provide escorts in areas where needed. The work would need to be performed in CSA's office, as well as RAO/ORA offices.

¶4. (S) Primary POC is Management Officer Anne Linnee (LinneeAE@state.sgov.gov or LinneeAE@state.gov), additional POC is Lenora Doyle.

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